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3.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OAS, CU, VE, PFOR, AR

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN INITIATIVE ON CUBA

REF STATE 158486

1. I DISCUSSED SUBJECT TODAY WITH FOREIGN OFFICE'S DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICY (MILINA SALAS). DECISION TO PITCH APPROACH AT HIS LEVEL WAS DELIBERATE. AMONG NEW HIERARCHY AT FOREIGN OFFICE, MOLINA SALAS IS BEST KNOWN TO US. HE HAS BEEN OPEN AND FRIENDLY TOWARD US AND IS BELIEVED TO BE SYMPATHETIC TOWARD US POINT OF VIEW.

2. AFTER HEARING US POSITION, MOLINA CONFIRMED THAT GOA HAD BEEN APPROACHED ON SUBJECT BY GOV. HE SAID GOA HAD REPLIED TAKING NOTE OF GOV PROPOSAL AND STATING THAT GOA WAS IN FAVOR OF MEASURES WHICH GAVE OAS MEMBERS GREATER FREEDOM OF ACTION BUT AT SAME TIME IT WISHED TO AVOID MEASURES WHICH MIGHT HAVE THE EFFECT OF UNDERMINING OR BREAKING UP THE ORGANIZATION. HE AGAIN EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE US IN THE OAS WAS ESSENTIAL.

3. IN HIS DISCUSSION, MOLINA INDICATED THAT THE GOA SAW A POSSIBLE SOLUTION IN A PROPOSAL WHICH HE SAID HAD BEEN FLOATED SOME WEEKS AGO BY MEXICAN AMBASSADOR DE COLINA, THE ESSENCE OF WHICH WAS A MOTION FOR A VOTE ON WHETHER SANCTIONS AGAINST CUBA SHOULD BE CONTINUED. UNLESS THIS RECEIVED A TWO-THIRDS VOTE IN FAVOR, SANCTIONS THEN WOULD BE AUTOMATICALLY DROPPED WITHOUT THE DANGER TO

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THE OAS INHERENT IN THE OTHER PROPOSALS. MOLINA SALAS OBVIOUSL

REGARDS THIS AS INGENIOUS SOLUTION TO PRESENT DILEMMA AND IT WAS  
CLEAR FROM HIS WORDS THAT THE GOA HOPES THAT THIS PROPOSAL WILL  
WIN OUT OVER THE VENEZUELAN INTITATIVE.

4. ALTHOUGH MEXICAN PROPOSAL HAS NOT APPEARED IN TRAFFIC TO THIS  
POST, I ASSUME DEPARTMENT AWARE OF IT.  
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